

Electronic phase separation in TmBa₂Cu₄O₈

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Abstract

The NQR spectra of Cu(2) in the superconductor TmBa₂Cu₄O₈ are studied at temperatures from 300 to 4.2 K. In analyzing the spectra it is assumed that the NQR line of each isotope contains two Gaussian components - narrow (n) and broad (b). It is discovered that the NQR frequencies have a minimum at the temperature $T^* = 150$ K. The frequencies of the components of the spectrum are close at temperatures from T^* to 4.2 K and differ substantially at temperatures $T > T^*$. Both components are broadened as the temperature decreases, but this broadening occurs especially rapidly at temperatures T